

The Federal Communications Commission  
445 12th Street, SW  
Washington, DC 20554

Dear The Federal Communications Commission,

The flat-fee Universal Service Fund proposal is unfair. I urge you to oppose this plan. I am one of the millions of consumers that will be unfairly taxed at a higher rate under the flat fee plan. The flat-fee would mean a tax hike for people like me -- consumers that use prepaid cellular phones or make few long distance calls.

I support the Keep USF Fair Coalition, and monitor this issue on their website.

I have been retired for 17+ years and have been on a fixed income since then. These continuing increases in the number of TAXES and FEES along with incremental increases in existing ones are burdensome beyond belief. Because of the taxes and fees connected with each call, we have curtailed our phone calls to our far flung kids. The increase you are proposing, upon us, will make it even harder to pick up the phone. Please reconsider and drop this proposal. Thank you.

Stopping the flat fee tax is important to my family - not to mention my pocket book. You will hear from me again, until this issue is resolved fairly! The flat-fee is unfair, and un-American.

Under the flat fee proposal you are considering, people who make few long distance calls would pay the same as people or businesses that make many calls. In other words, low-volume and primarily residential customers would bear the same universal service fund burden as high-volume residential or business customers. I urge you to reject this flat-fee proposal.

Thank you.

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cc: FCC Chair Kevin Martin, Congress

Sincerely,

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